structed to personally inspect each barrack/ Cell and Ward in respect of his jail at least once every day; and, as a surprise check every week and submit the report in the prescribed proforma.

ii) The PWD has been asked to provide adequate lighting arrangements in and outside all the four jails and to provide zooming flood-lights on the watch towers.

iii) A close circuit T.V. network has been installed and 27 out of 28 cameras are operational.

iv) Five dispensaries with OPD are functioning in the jails.

v) A free Legal Aid Cell is functioning in each jail to provide legal aid to the poor prisoners.

(b) The Delhi Administration have reported that the frequency of surprise checks has been increased and the provisions of Delhi Jail Manual regarding security arrangements are being strictly followed.

[*English*]

Sales Tax in Delhi

1565. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Administration have taken up the issue of parity in the rate of sales tax with the Regional Council for the North Zone;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in the matter;

(c) whether there is also any proposal before the Delhi Administration to bring the parity in the rates of sales tax in the North Zone as a whole in respect of all the items to check the evasion of sales tax and bungling therein; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) to (c). The Delhi Administration has moved a proposal for enhancing the rate of sales tax on various commodities. Keeping in view the rate prevailing in the neighbouring states and minimum floor level rates suggested by the National Capital Region Planning Board. On Many items, proposed rates are higher than the minimum floor level rates suggested by the NGR Planning Board but are identical to those prevailing in the heighbouring States.

Memorandum on TADA Prisoners in Rajasthan

1566. SHRI E. AHAMED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any memorandum on the TADA prisoners in Rajasthan recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) to (c). Some representations were received during 1990 and 1991 regarding alleged misuse of TADA in Rajasthan. The matter was referred to Government of Rajasthan. According to a report received from the Government of Rajasthan TADA was invoked for internal security with utmost care and caution and most of the accused

were persons involved in large scale violence, arson, looting or manufacture of explosives.

[*Translation*]

Government Accommodation for Non-Gazetted Employees of Delhi Police

1567. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government accommodation for the non-gazetted employees of Delhi Police;

(b) the number of Government accommodation constructed during each of the last three years;

(c) the number of policemen out of the total non-gazetted staff who have been allotted Government accommodation; and

(d) the steps taken to construct more quarters in order to provide accommodation to the remaining staff?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a)There are 8422 sets of quarters for the non-gazetted employees of Delhi Police.

(b) 381 Govt. quarters of various categories and barracks for 200 persons were constructed from 1988-89 to 1990-91 while 597 quarters and barracks for 60 persons have been constructed during year 1991-92.

(c) 8352 members of Delhi Police have been allotted Government accommodation.

(d) Construction of 735 Govt. quarters and barracks for accommodating about 500 persons is under way.

Overtime Allowance to Delhi Police Personnel

1568. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether eight hours duty have been perscribed in the Delhi-Police;

(b) if so, whether the Delhi Police personnel performing duties for more than eight hours are paid any overtime allowance;

(c) if not, whether the Government propose to provide over-time allowance to the Delhi Police personnel like other Government employees; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). On Several occasions, the Delhi Police personnel from the rank of Constable to that of Assistant Sub-Inspector, who perform duty for more than 8 hours are paid food allowance at the rate of Rs. 10 per day up to 25 days in a year. Compensatory pay for one month is also paid from the rank of Constable to that of Inspector in lieu of holidays.

[*English*]

Development of Fisheries in Orissa

1569. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state: